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In the Application of:

**GIROUARD et al.**

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Filing Date: December 23, 1999

Title: SNOWMOBILE



Group Art Unit: 3618

Examiner: A. Boehler

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REQUEST FOR EARLY  
PUBLICATION OF APPLICATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.219

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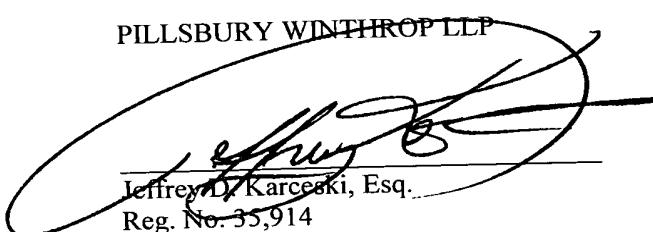
Sir:

Applicants hereby respectfully request early publication of the above-captioned patent application. In support of this Request, the Publication Fee of \$300.00 required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.18(d) is attached.

If there are any fees due for entry of this submission that are not otherwise accounted for, Applicants ask that any such fees be charged to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975, with reference to Order No. 009919/265136.

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REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

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This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

## FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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| 1. Small Entity claim                           | For B & C<br>See Required<br>Separate Paper<br>(Pat-256) |
| A. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOT made |  |
| B. <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn           |  |
| C. <input type="checkbox"/> made herewith       |  |

| Claims remaining after amendment | Highest number previously paid for | Present Extra | Large/Small Entity | Additional Fee | Fee Code Lg/Sm |
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| 2. Total Effective Claims  | **minus                                   | 20                     | 0       | x \$18/\$9 =    | + \$0     | 103/203 |
| 3. Independent Claims  | ***minus                                  | 3                      | 0       | x \$84/\$42 =   | + \$0     | 102/202 |
| 4. If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time (leave blank if this is a reissue application)..... | add                                       |                        |         | + \$280/\$140 = | + \$0     | 104/204 |
| 5. Original due Date: <input type="checkbox"/> NONE  |   |                        |         |                 |           |         |
| 6. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due date to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is attached        | (1 mo)                                    | \$110/\$55 =           |         |                 | 115/215   |         |
|  | (2 mos)                                   | \$400/\$200 =          |         |                 | 116/216   |         |
|  | (3 mos)                                   | \$920/\$460 =          |         |                 | 117/217   |         |
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| 8.   |   | Extension Fee Attached | + \$0   |                 |           |         |
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| 11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r) .....   |   | + \$740/370            | + \$0   |                 | 146/246   |         |
| 12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b) .....   |   | x \$740/370 ea         | + \$0   |                 | 149/249   |         |
| 13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) .....  |   | + \$740/370            | + \$0   |                 | 1179/1279 |         |
| 14. Request for Early Publication .....  |   |                        | + \$300 |                 |           |         |
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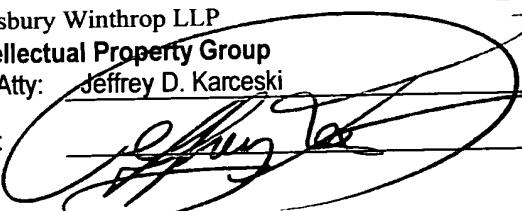
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